

October 28, 2019

Marlene H. Dortch Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: Notice of Ex Parte Communication, GN Docket No. 18-122

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On October 24 and October 28, I spoke by telephone with Nicholas Degani of Chairman Pai's office. During these calls, I discussed the National Association of Broadcasters' positions with respect to expanded operations in the C-band.¹ In particular, I stressed the importance of ensuring that sufficient spectrum remains in the band to allow the continued reliable and ubiquitous content distribution C-band satellite service currently offers. Preserving a sufficient amount of nationwide, unencumbered spectrum will be critical to protecting the content distribution system that serves well over a hundred million American households today.

Respectfully Submitted,

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National Association of Broadcasters

cc: Nicholas Degani

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Expanding Flexible Use of the 3.7 to 4.2 GHz Band, Order and Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, GN Docket No. 18-122, GN Docket No. 17-183, FCC 18-91 (July 13, 2018).